

Response to Election of Species
Application No. 09/775,591

REMARKS

The Examiner requests that Applicants select one of the following species for prosecution on the merits:

Species I - Figures 1A - 7; and

Species II - Figures 8A - 8B

The Examiner believes that there are no generic claims.

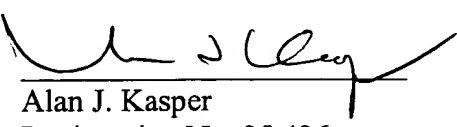
In response to the Election of Species Applicant has elected Species I, Figs 1A - 7 in the above-identified application for examination. The readable claims on the species are 1, 2, 5 - 13, 16, 18 -20, 22 and 23.

The election is made without traverse. However, Applicant reserves all rights under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a Divisional Application to the non-elected species.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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